

**ABSTRACT**

The present invention provides novel Interleukin-1 Receptor Antagonist-Like (IL-1ra-L) polypeptides and nucleic acid molecules encoding the same. The invention also provides selective binding agents, vectors, host cells, and methods for  
5 producing IL-1ra-L polypeptides. The invention further provides pharmaceutical compositions and methods for the diagnosis, treatment, amelioration, and/or prevention of diseases, disorders, and conditions associated with IL-1ra-L polypeptides.